

## **Electricity Oversight Board**

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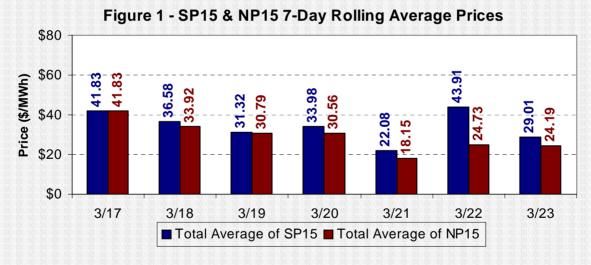
The average zonal price decreased by 34 percent for SP15 to \$29.01/MWh and decreased by 2 percent for NP15 to \$24.19/MWh. Temperatures across the state decreased by 1 to 6 degrees and ranged between 67 and 79 degrees. Congestion on Path 26 in the north-to-south direction between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. resulted in the split zonal prices. Prices for the day were lower despite indicating factors that were mixed as follows:

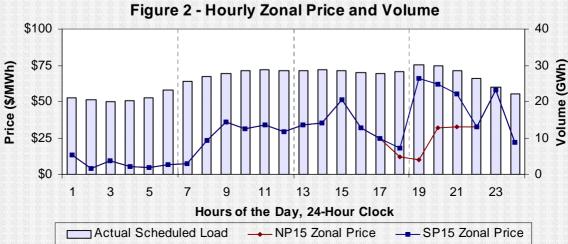
- Increased generation outage levels that ranged between 10,500 MW and 10,900 MW.
- Lower demand. The actual average demand decreased by 474 MW.
- Lower natural gas prices. The average natural gas price decreased by 2 percent to \$5.10/MMBtu.

In an effort to mitigate intra-zonal congestion, the CAISO requested decremental energy bids for the Miguel Imports between 6 a.m. and midnight.

The CAISO changed the transmission capacity rating for the following:

- Merchant-El Dorado line in both directions from 645MW to 0 MW for the entire day.
- El Dorado-Moenkopi 500kv line in both directions from 849 MW to 819 MW between 7 p.m. and 3 p.m.
- El Dorado-Moenkopi 500kv line in both directions from 1,555 MW to 1,158 MW between 3 p.m. and midnight.







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